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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
SHUJI KANEKO, ET AL. : EXAMINER: JONES, D. C.  
SERIAL NO: 10/084,160 :  
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FOR: METHOD FOR SPECIFICALLY :  
POTENTIATING N-TYPE CA2+  
CHANNEL ACTIVITY

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed January 29, 2004, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections of record, in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.